## THE HANGING OF THE GREENS

THE 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 5, 2021 | 10:30 A.M.

GREETING THE GATHERED The Peace of Christ our Lord be with you!

ALL: And Also With You!

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.
---Psalm 72:18

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE #31 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN

THE PRAYER OF PRAISE, PASTORAL PRAYER, AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

I. THE ADVENT WREATH | *Jennifer Huddleston & Mike Parker* Isaiah 35:1-4; Philippians 4:4-5 & Background

\*Carol #25 "Away in a Manger" MUELLER (Please stand and sing the first verse)

II. THE BALCONY & SANCTUARY WINDOWS | Jason, Shea & Ryan Scott Luke 2: 10-14 & Background

Carol #56 "The First Nowell" THE FIRST NOEL (Please remain seated and sing the first verse.)

As the carol is sung, the balcony & window decorations will be completed.

III. THE PULPIT | *Randle Beavers* Isaiah 7:14, Matthew 1:18-23 & Background

Carol #23 "Angels We Have Heard on High" GLORIA

(Please remain seated and sing the first verse.)

IV. THE POINSETTIAS | *Grace-Anne Brown* Psalm 84:1-4, Jeremiah 25:5-6 & Background

Carol #38 "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear" CAROL (Please remain seated and sing the first verse)

As the carol is being sung, the final poinsettias will be set in place.

V. THE CHRISMON TREE | Benton & Elizabeth Elliott John 1: 1-5 & Background

\*Carol #60 "Silent Night, Holy Night" STILLE NACHT (Please stand and sing the first two verses.)

As the carol is being sung, the final Chrismons will be placed on the branches of the Chrismon Tree and the lights will be turned on.

> VI. THE CHURCH BELLS | Bobby & Anne Elliott Psalm 5: 11-12 & Background

> > The Ringing of Our Church Bell

VII. THE CLOSING OF THE SERVICE | Lynne & Norris Howell Psalm 150 & Background

\*Carol #41 "O Come All Ye Faithful" ADESTE FIDELES
(Please stand and sing first and third verses)

\*THE POSTLUDE

<sup>\*</sup>All who are able, please stand.

### **WELCOME & INVITATION**

This church welcomes you, no matter who you are, where you come from, or why you are here.

We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide.

If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, learn from us as we learn from you. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.

We are so glad you are here.

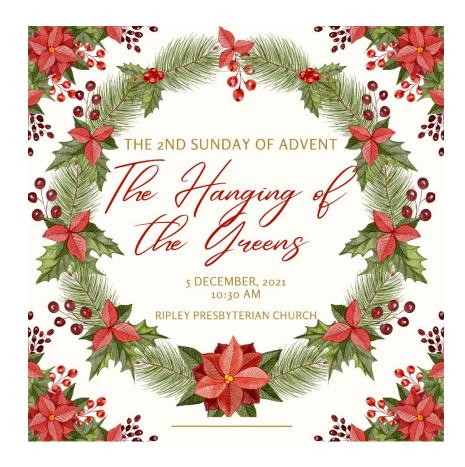
**FOR YOUR INFORMATION:** The RPC Office is open Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM, & Thursday, 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

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Rev. Dr. Jody Hill | Pastor
Jennifer Huddleston | Choir Director
Lynn Hill | Administrator & Pianist

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### A Note of Special Thanks...

To Jennifer Huddleston; all of our Readers and those assisting this morning with the decorations; Norris Howell, John Braddock, Jason, Ryan & Reed Scott, Mike Parker, Barry Cook, Benton Elliott, Price Elliott, Charles Elliott, Kenny Hill, Luke & Noah Hill for setting up the Chrismon Tree; Sharon Goolsby for decorating our windows; Shea Scott & Kenny Hill, who pitched in & helped with decorating the Chrismon Tree; and Ann Wigington for our beautiful Advent Wreath---thank you.

"For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us; prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness."

---Romans 12: 4

## **DECEMBER 19, 2021**



Every generous act of giving... is from above. -James 1:17

The only perfect gift ever given was the one we received in Jesus Christ—a perfect gift from a generous God. Your gifts reflect our generous God by supporting leaders in our Church and world—past, present & future. Please give generously. When we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

#### PRAYER LIST FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Ann Wigington, Margaret & Kent Montgomery, Tom Muir, Jack Jones, Brenda Brown, Charles Bryant, Brent Henderson, Scottye Stewart, Sherry Hill, Danny Wilbanks, Lorenzo Medford, Gail Allensworth, Ali Rae Barkley, Frank Gay, Adrienne Phillips, Jamie Wall, Helen Beavers, Tate Daniel, Maxine Tomlinson, Calvin Austin, Ticer Brown, Bradley Childs, Leah & Miles Harrell.

### Our Deepest Sympathies to...

The family of Wayne Ridge

#### Our Homebound, Assisted Living & Nursing Home Residents

Laron Shannon, Jean Ketchum, Carolyn Caviness, Johnny Cappleman, Billie Pickens, Jimmy & Judy Hines Hopper, Opal LaBarreare.

#### **RPC** Weekly Financial Update

RPC Weekly 2021 Budget: \$2,710.97 Offering Received 11/28/21: \$1,605.00

November Mission Focus: Tippah County Good Samaritan Center | Goal \$500 Final Total Collected: \$1,025.00. Thank you, THANK YOU!

**If you would like to donate toward The Cross of Christ project,** you may direct it through Ripley Presbyterian Church. RPC will send these designated funds to The Peoples Bank where a special account is set up for this project.

Total Collected as of 11/28/21: \$1,050.00

### **Poinsettias**

In Honor of Our Westminister Friends

By Pat Ledbetter

In Memory of James H. Parks, James Lee Parks, Reese & Sue Stubbs By Mark & Linda Stubbs

In Honor of Dr. Charles M. Elliott, M.D. By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Leah & Miles Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of Our Grandparents By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Memory of John Harrell By Benton & Elizabeth Elliott

In Honor of Our Children By Hollis & Ann Wigington

In Honor of Our Grandchildren By Hollis & Ann Wigington

In Honor of Julie & Patrick Addison By Norris & Lynne Howell In Honor of Ossie Addison By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Memory of J.D. & OC Thomas By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Memory of Gene Howell By Norris & Lynne Howell

In Honor of our Children & Grandchildren
By Anne & Bobby Elliott

In Memory of Rev. & Mrs. Walter Smith By Anne & Bobby Elliott

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Benton Elliott By Anne & Bobby Elliott

> In Memory of Ray Gaillard By Shirley McClain

In Honor of Ann & Hollis Wigington, & Betty & Kenneth Hill By Lynn & Kenny Hill

In Memory of Stan Horton, Jr.
By Kenny & Lynn Hill

## Poinsettias

In Honor of Prue Bailey By Leon & Diane Bailey

In Memory of Pete & Helen Elliott By Leon & Diane Bailey

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Elliott, Shirley Lockhart, Charles Elliott & Austin & Grace-Anne Brown By Price & Reeca Elliott

In Memory of Tommy Lockhart &
Our Grandparents
By Price & Reeca Elliott

In Memory of Elvin Huddleston By Jennifer & Shirley Huddleston

In Memory of Elvin Huddleston By Billy, Wanda, Mac & EP Newton

In Honor of Jane Cousar & Linda Shannon By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Memory of Our Grandparents &
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Scott
By Jason, Shea, Reed & Ryan Scott

In Honor of Bailey & Sam Steverson By Wayne & Deborah Steverson

In Memory of Leon & Rachel Cappleman, Mr. & Mrs. F.E. Steverson By Wayne & Deborah Steverson

In Honor of Rob & Dot Williams, George & Sally Permenter

By Fred & Sally Permenter

In Honor of my Children, Grandchildren, & Great Grandchildren

By Jane Cousar

In Memory of Don Cousar

By Jane Cousar

In Memory of Strawberry & Mildred Stanford By Rich Cousar

In Memory of Don Cousar

By Rich Cousar

In Memory of Bettye Richey Benedict & Roy Thomas Richey By Jane & Rich Cousar

In Honor of Louise Jeanes
By Jane & Rich Cousar